

**NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Tampa and Madison Highlands, LLC with the City of Tampa serving as the responsible entity for the project.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about October 19, 2020 the City of Tampa will submit a request to the Department of HUD for the release of HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds under the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended and Title XIII of the Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1993 and will authorize the City of Tampa to submit a request to HUD for the release of assistance under HUD’s HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) Program for the following project:

Project Title:	Madison Highlands Apartments
Purpose:	Creation of 102 additional affordable housing units
Location:	5315 N. 37 th Street, Tampa FL 33610
HOME Funding:	\$625,750
Private Loan:	\$2,600,000
LIHTC:	\$22,797,720
Estimated Total:	\$26,023,470

This project involves the new construction of a six-story 102-unit family rental housing development on a currently vacant lot. As part of our commitment to provide Special Needs units, we will work with any FHFC approved referral agency in Hillsborough County to provide apartments with the target population for Homeless Persons or Homeless Persons with a Disabling Condition, and will be age restricted to persons 55 and older.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Tampa has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at City of Tampa Community Development Office located at 4900 W. Lemon Street, Tampa, Florida 33609. These records can be examined or copied weekdays 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. Due to the Corona Virus Pandemic, the City will make the

ERR available to the public for review either electronically at www.tampagov.net/hcd or by US mail and requests for copies of the ERR may be submitted via email to Vanessa.McCleary@tampagov.net.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Tampa's Housing and Community Development Division at City of Tampa, Housing & Community Development Office, 4900 W. Lemon Street, Tampa, Florida 33609 or emailed to Vanessa.McCleary@tampagov.net. All comments received by October 17, 2020, will be considered by the City of Tampa prior to authorizing submission of the request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Tampa certifies to HUD that Vanessa McCleary, in her capacity as Housing and Community Development Manager, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certifications satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Tampa Housing Authority and City of Tampa to use the associated HUD Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Tampa's certifications for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following basis: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Tampa, FL; (b) the City has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Due to the Corona Virus Pandemic, objections to the use of HOME funds must be prepared and submitted via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the U.S. Department of HUD Jacksonville Field Office, Attention: Community Planning and Development Director, Lisa A. Hill, and emailed to Thomas.Bilodeau@hud.gov.

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Potential objectors should contact HUD/State to verify the actual last day of the objection period.